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SUBJECT: TUNA CONSULTATIONS

1. IT APPEARS THAT GOCR WILL BE GOING FORWARD WITH MEETING RE TUNA ON JUNE 26-28 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT MEXICO WILL PARTICIPATE. UNLESS GOCR DECIDES NOT TO GO AHEAD, U.S. PLANNING TO ATTEND SAN JOSE MEETING WITH FOLLOWING DELEGATION: JOHN NEGROPONTE, OES/OFA; BRIAN HALLMAN, OES/OFA/FA; MARY MC LEOD, L/OES; BARBARA ROTHSCHILD, NOAA (NMFS); GERALD HOWARD, COMM/NOAA; WILLIAM FOX, COMM/NOAA; JOHN ROYAL, ILWU FISHERMEN'S UNION LOCAL 33; JACK BOWLAND, WESTERN FISH-BOAT OWNER'S ASSOCIATION; AUGUST FELANDO, AMERICAN TUNABOAT ASSOCIATION ORRA KERNS, BUMBLEBEE SEAFOODS, ANTHONY NIZETICH, STAR-KIST FOODS, PETER BUCHAN, VAN CAMP SEAFOODS.

2. PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AT CARIARI HOTEL FOR ABOVE
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INDIVIDUALS. NEGROPONTE, HALLMAN, ROTHSCHILD, MC LEOD, HOWARD, FELANDO, AND POSSIBLY 1 OTHER WILL ARRIVE JUNE 26 VIA PAA NO. 541. OTHERS WILL NEED HOTEL RESERVATIONS BEGINNING JUNE 27.

3. PLEASE ADVISE PLACE AND TIMES OF MEETINGS.

4. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LICENSING SCHEME WHICH WE ARE PREPARED TO TABLE IN SAN JOSE. DEPT. UNABLE TO HAVE DOCUMENT TRANSLATED BECAUSE OF SHORTNESS OF TIME AND VERY HEAVY PRIOR COMMITMENTS IN LANGUAGE SERVICES, AND WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF EMBASSY COULD HELP PRODUCE INFORMAL TRANSLATION.

5. BEGIN TEXT: LICENSING (UNDERSCORE) 1. THE CONTRACTING PARTIES AGREE THAT TUNA VESSELS FLYING THEIR FLAGS SHALL, BEFORE FISHING IN THE CYRA, FIRST OBTAIN AN ANNUAL LICENSE ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION. THE CONTRACTING PARTIES AGREE THAT SUCH A LICENSE WILL SERVE AS A GUARANTEE OF FISHING ACCESS FOR THE VESSELS OF ANY MEMBER COUNTRY TO THE ENTIRE CONSERVATION AREA OF THE COMMISSION, BEYOND TWELVE MILES FROM THE COASTS OF MEMBER COUNTRIES, SO LONG AS SUCH VESSELS ARE FISHING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMISSION'S CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AGREED TO BY ALL MEMBER COUNTRIES.

2. IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION, A FEE SHALL BE PAID IN THE AMOUNT OF (BLANK) DOLLARS PER NET REGISTERED TON.

3. TWENTY PERCENT OF THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE MONIES COLLECTED BY THE COMMISSION SHALL BE RETAINED BY THE COMMISSION FOR USE TOWARDS ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.
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THE REMAINDER OF THE MONIES COLLECTED SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE COASTAL STATE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ACCORDING TO WHATEVER FORMULA IS AGREED BY THOSE STATES.

4. LICENSES SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR FISHING BEYOND THE COMMISSION'S YELLOWFIN REGULATORY AREA (CYRA).

5. THE SPECIES OF TUNA TO WHICH THESE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS APPLY INCLUDE YELLOWFIN, SKIPJACK, BLUEFIN, ALBACORE AND BIGEYE.

6. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ANNEX, THE CYRA SHALL BE CONSTRUED NOT TO INCLUDE THE FISHERY CONSERVATION ZONE OF THE UNITED STATES. END TEXT

6. DEPT. PRESUMES DR. JOSEPH, DIRECTOR OF INVESTIGATIONS OF IATTC, WILL BE INVITED TO MEETINGS. EMBASSY MAY WISH TO CONFIRM THIS WITH GOCR. VANCE

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